

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY BERN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5936

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EO 11652: NA

TAGS: OVIP SZ (HUNT, GOV JAMES B JR)

SUBJ: VISIT TO SWITZERLAND OF NORTH CAROLINA GOV JAMES B HUNT JR

1. EMBASSY HAS NOW RECEIVED SECOND IN WHAT WE SUSPECT  
WILL BE SERIES OF PETITIONS FROM LOCAL SWISS CHAPTERS  
OF AMNESTY INTL ENCLOSING COPY OF LETTER ADDRESSED  
TO GOV OF NORTH CAROLINA, JAMES B HUNT JR.

2. PETITIONS ARE ON BEHALF OF "WILMINGTON TEN".  
LETTER TO AMBASSADOR STATES THAT THEY ARE ASTONISHED  
TO HAVE TO STATE THAT THESE PEOPLE ARE STILL IN  
PRISON WHEN ACCUSATIONS AGAINST THEM SEEM TO BE  
WITHOUT FOUNDATION SINCE PRINCIPAL WITNESSES HAVE  
WITHDRAWN THEIR CHARGE. THEY HOPE THAT PRISONERS  
WILL BE RELEASED ASAP.

3. WE ASSUME THAT GOVERNOR'S OFFICE HAS RECEIVED  
THESE AND SIMILAR PETITIONS. HOWEVER, SINCE GOV  
WILL BE VISITING SWITZERLAND IN EARLY APR, WE  
WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF DEPT COULD INFORM GOV'S  
OFFICE THAT EMBASSY IS ALSO RECEIVING THESE  
PETITIONS. THERE IS NO EVIDENCE THAT TIMING IS  
RELATED TO GOV'S PROPOSED TRIP OR THAT ANY ACTION  
ON PART OF ANY SWISS GROUP, IN ADDITION TO FORWARDING  
OF PETITIONS, IS CONTEMPLATED.

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